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Customer No. 22,852
Attorney Docket No. 4173.0438

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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| In re Application of: |) | |
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| Tetsuya KUROSAWA |) | Group Art Unit: 1734 |
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| Application No.: 10/665,206 |) | Examiner: Osele, Mark A. |
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| Filed: September 22, 2003 |) | |
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| For: METHOD OF MANUFACTURING |) | Confirmation No.: 5743 |
| SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE AND |) | |
| MANUFACTURING APPARATUS |) | |
| OF SEMICONDUCTOR DEVICE |) | |

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Sir:

AMENDMENT

In reply to the Office Action mailed July 27, 2006, the period for response to which extends through October 27, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims in this paper.

Remarks/Arguments follow the amendment section of this paper.